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In re Application of)
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For: "INTEGRATED TISSUE PORATION,)
FLUID HARVESTING AND ANALYSIS)
DEVICE, AND METHOD THEREFOR")

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND COMMUNICATION
REGARDING CLAIMS**

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R §§ 1.56 and 1.607(c), applicants hereby offer the following information:

Claims 1-4 at least substantially correspond to claims 1 of U.S. Patent 6,063,039; claim 1 of U.S. Patent 6,155,992 and claim 1 of U.S. Patent 6,283,926.

Claims 5-10 at least substantially correspond to claims 1 and 13 of U.S. Patent 6,071, 251;

Applicant further note that claims 5-10 substantially correspond to claim 17 published in PCT Application PCT/US99/40848.

Should the examiner have any questions regarding this information, he/she is invited to telephone the undersigned at his or her earliest convenience.

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